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William and Preston Bown
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RE: Receipt of SITLA Notification, Leases ML 44791 and ML 46786, Grouse Creek Operations, M/003/031, Box Elder County, Utah

Dear Messrs Bown:

On March 6, 1997, the Division received a copy of your notice which was sent to the State School and Institutional Trust Lands Administration (SITLA) notifying them of your intention to begin removing stone from SITLA administered lands. Please be advised that while this notification may satisfy the requirements of your SITLA mineral leases, we still consider these State lands as part of your overall Grouse Creek Project area (M/003/031).

As of this date, the Division has not issued its final decision/order from the February 27, 1997 informal hearing. Until a final decision is reached and any subsequent permitting requirements are resolved, we cannot authorize any mining-related operations that will result in the removal of stone from the SITLA leases. Thank you for keeping us informed of your proposed activities. Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions in this regard.

Sincerely,

D. Wayne Hedberg
Permit Supervisor
Minerals Regulatory Program

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